

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the Application.

All claims currently being amended are shown with deleted text struckthrough or double bracketed and new text underlined. Additionally, the status of each claim is indicated in parenthetical expression following the claim number.

Claims 1, 2, and 19 are currently amended.

No claims have been cancelled.

No claims have been withdrawn.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A composition comprising:
at least about 10% (w/v) ascorbic acid, ~~wherein the ascorbic acid comprises ascorbic acid;~~
an aminosugar; and
water, wherein the composition has a pH of more than 3.5.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The composition of claim ~~[[I]]~~ 1, wherein the ascorbic acid is pretreated.

Claim 3 (original): The composition of claim 1, further comprising a non-toxic zinc salt.

Claim 4 (original): The composition of claim 1, further comprising a tyrosine compound.

Claim 5 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the aminosugar comprises glucosamine.

Claim 6 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the ascorbic acid comprises monodehydroascorbic acid.

Claim 7 (original): The composition of claim 1, further comprising an administration form suitable for topical application.

Claim 8 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is topically therapeutic against inflammatory skin conditions.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a serum, a lotion, an ointment, a cream, a gel, a foam, an emollient, microspheres, encapsulants, time-release encapsulants, a patch, a transdermal patch, a shampoo, a skin or hair conditioner, a pomade, a spray or aerosol, a water-based solution, an oil/water emulsification, an unguent, a salve, a soap, a wax, a paraffin, a gum, a tonic, an elixir, an embrocation, a lenitive, a liniment, a medicament, a balm, a balsam, a palliative, or any combination of administration forms suitable for topical application on the skin.

Claim 10 (original): The composition of claim 5, wherein glucosamine is present in the amount of approximately 20% (w/v).

Claim 11 (previously presented): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises one or more ingredients selected from the group consisting of (a) one or more non-toxic zinc salts, (b) one or more tyrosine compounds, (c) one or more antibacterial agents, (d) one or more dyes, (e) one or more fragrances, (f) one or more surfactants, (g) one or more thickeners, (h) one or more antioxidants, (i) one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, (j) one or more tissue compatible vehicles, (k) one or more humectants, (l) one or more moisturizers, (m) one or more polymers, (n) one or more cross-linking agents, (o) one or more waxes, (p) one or more resins, and (q) any combination of (a) - (p).

Claim 12 (original): The composition of claim 8, wherein the inflammatory skin condition comprises rosacea, acne, an inflammatory allergic skin reaction, hypersensitivity, rash or dermatitis.

Claim 13 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is adapted for use as foundation.

Claim 14 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is adapted for use as cleanser.

Claim 15 (original): The composition of claim 1, wherein the water is distilled or deionized water.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises one or more ingredients selected from the group consisting of: almond meal, alumina, aluminum oxide, aluminum silicate, apricot seed powder, attapulgite, barley flour, bismuth oxychloride, boron nitride, calcium carbonate, calcium phosphate, calcium pyrophosphate, calcium sulfate, cellulose, chalk, chitin, clay, corn cob meal, corn cob powder, corn flour, corn meal, corn starch, diatomaceous earth, dicalcium phosphate, dicalcium phosphate dihydrate, fullers earth, hydrated silica, hydroxyapatite, iron oxide, jojoba seed powder, kaolin, magnesium trisilicate, mica, microcrystalline cellulose, montmorillonite, oat bran, oat flour, oatmeal, peach pit powder, pecan shell powder, polybutylene, polyethylene, polyisobutylene, polymethylstyrene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyurethane, nylon, teflon, polytetrafluoroethylene, polyhalogenated olefins, pumice rice bran, rye flour, cericite, silica, silk, sodium bicarbonate, sodium silicoaluminate, soy flour synthetic hectorite, talc, tin oxide, titanium dioxide, tricalcium phosphate, walnut shell powder, wheat bran, wheat flour, wheat starch, zirconium silicate, or mixtures thereof.

Claim 17 (previously presented): A composition for treating an inflammatory skin ailment, the composition comprising:

at least about 5.0% (w/v) ascorbic acid;
at least about 10% (w/v) glucosamine;
a non-toxic zinc salt;
a tyrosine compound; and
water, wherein the composition has a pH of more than 3.5.

Claim 18 (previously presented): A method of treating rosacea or other inflammatory skin affliction, the method comprising topically applying to the afflicted skin a composition comprising at least 5.0% (w/v) ascorbic acid; at least 10% (w/v) glucosamine or other anti-inflammatory aminosugar; and water.

Claim 19 (currently amended): The ~~method~~ composition of claim[[s]] 13, wherein the composition further comprises one or more ingredients selected from the group consisting of (a) one or more non-toxic zinc salts, (b) one or more tyrosine compounds, (c) one or more antibacterial agents, (d) one or more dyes, (e) one or more fragrances, (f) one or more surfactants, (g) one or more thickeners, (h) one or more antioxidants and (i) any combination of (a) - (h).

Claim 20 (previously presented): The composition of claim 13, wherein the composition is in the form of a serum, a lotion, an ointment, a cream, a gel, a foam, an emollient, microspheres, encapsulants, time-release encapsulants, a patch, a transdermal patch, a shampoo, a skin or hair conditioner, a pomade, a spray or aerosol, a water-based solution, an oil/water emulsification, an unguent, a salve, a soap, a wax, a paraffin, a gum, a tonic, an elixir, an embrocation, a lenitive, a liniment, a medicament, a balm, a balsam, a palliative, or any combination of administration forms suitable for topical application on the skin.